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SUBJECT: HUMAN RIGHTS AND EXCLUSION FROM GSP

REF: SANTIAGO 3155 (NOTAL)

1. QUITO PAPERS APRIL 20 CARRIED UPI ARTICLE REPORTING
THAT CONGRESSMAN CHARLES VANIK RECOMMENDED LIFTING OF GSP
EXCLUSION FROM VENEZUELA AND ECUADOR. VANIK IS QUOTED AS
SAYING: "I BELIEVE WE SHOULD RECOGNIZE PARTICULARLY THE
EXAMPLE THE GOVT OF VENEZUELA HAS PROVIDED IN THE AREA OF
HUMAN RIGHTS". THE LENGTHY ARTICLE CONTINUES IN THIS VEIN.

2. EMBASSY NOTES THAT ECUADOR'S RECORD IN HUMAN RIGHTS IS
COMPARABLE TO THAT OF VENEZUELA AND THAT THE GOE'S SUPPORT
FOR OUR HUMAN RIGHTS INITIATIVE IS INCREASINGLY VOCAL. THE
COMMENT OF FONMIN JORGE SALVADOR ON ARRIVAL IN SANTIAGO
(REFTEL) IS INDICATIVE OF THE GOE POSITION: "THERE IS A
BASIC POINT OF COINCIDENCE IN THE POLICY OF PRESIDENT CARTER
AND THE HISPANO-AMERICAN CONCEPT OF HUMAN RIGHTS, AND IN ITS
FOUNDATION IN THE CHRISTIAN ETHIC, WHICH IS COMMON TO
US ALL, THUS, (THE POLICY) IS WORTHY OF FULL ATTENTION
AND CONSIDERATION".

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3. SINCE THE ARTICLE SUGGESTS THAT CONGRESSMAN VANIK
MAY NOT BE AWARE THAT NOT ONE, BUT BOTH, OF THE LA
COUNTRIES AFFECTED BY THE GSP EXCLUSION HAVE ADMIRABLE
HUMAN RIGHTS RECORDS, DEPT MAY FIND IT WORTHWHILE CONVEY
THIS INFORMATION TO HIS OFFICE. DEPT MIGHT ALSO OBSERVE
THAT ECUADOR IS CURRENTLY INVOLVED IN A TRANSITION FROM

MILITARY TO DEMOCRATIC CIVILIAN GOVT AND THUS THE GSP EX-
CLUSION IS LIKELY TO AFFECT WITHIN A SHORT PERIOD TWO OF
THE ONLY FOUR IBERO-AMERICAN DEMOCRACIES.
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